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Chris BERTELO et al.

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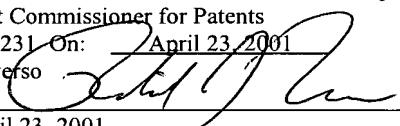
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For: IMPACT ADDITIVE OF THE CORE/SHELL TYPE FOR THERMOPLASTIC POLYMERS (AS AMENDED)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2000, please amend the above identified application as indicated below and consider the remarks which follow.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 28 and 69 as follows.

~~Ex H~~ (Thrice Amended) A polyvinyl chloride composition containing a core/shell impact additive said impact additive comprising:

a) 70 % to 90 % by weight of a crosslinked elastomeric core composed:

1) of 20 % to less than 100 % by weight of a nucleus composed of a copolymer

(I) of an n-alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group having a carbon number ranging from 5 to 12, of a polyfunctional crosslinking agent possessing unsaturated groups in its molecule, at least one of which is a vinyl group and optionally of a polyfunctional grafting agent possessing unsaturated